

FALL RIVER MEN HELD IN \$15,000 IN WOOL CASE

NEWPORT, R. I., Jan. 2.—James H. H. and John H. H. of Fall River, connected with cotton mill industries at Fall River, R. I., and Fall River, Mass., were arrested today in the District Court upon warrants charging them with obtaining 15,000 pounds of cotton and 40,000 pounds of cotton waste from Shaw, Mills & Co. in Fall River, R. I., it is alleged they had the two men in Fall River, Chief of Police Theodore Manchester of Fall River secured the warrants and served them, this morning. All pleaded not guilty. Bail in each case was set at \$15,000. The goods alleged to be stolen are valued at \$12,000.

12 FIREMEN BURNED AS STAIRWAY FALLS AT NEW YORK BLAZE

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Twelve firemen were burned and a score of persons had injuries today when a fire, believed to be incendiary, destroyed the two upper floors of a five-story apartment house at 26, 28 and 30 East One Hundred and Ninth street. Many tenants were compelled to flee in their night clothing, and take shelter from the cold in the neighboring hospital. The firemen were injured when a stairway on which they were at work gave way. Edward H. H., aged thirty, was seriously injured by smoke and was found by a doctor, but in time to his life. The police believe the fire was started by a tenant of George H. H. who lives in the building. H. had received threatening letters.

BOYS ARE WEARING SHOESTRING TIES

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 2.—A new fashion in neckties has been introduced among high school boys. Arthur H. H., president of the senior class, appeared wearing a shoestring tie. Parker H. H. came to school about the same time and he, too, wore a shoestring tie. H. H. says the boys have turned together in an effort to do a new tie to the necktie trade. About a dozen have now worn shoestrings.

Business Notice CASTORIA

The Kid You Have Always Bought
Beware of cheap imitations
Solely the Signature of *Castor*

Automatic Bargain Basement

MERCHANDISE NOT SOLD AFTER 5 WEEKS IS GIVEN AWAY

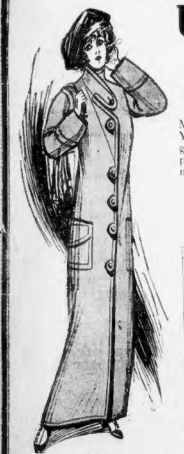
One Third of Our Entire Stock Sold in One Day

THIS record of quick selling happened a few days ago. It is live proof

That every lot is a dependable bargain;
That more and more men and women are learning the Automatic Price Reduction Plan.

It is only through quick selling that we can continue that plan.

ARE YOU TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES THIS UNIQUE STORE OFFERS?



Ulster Coats
For Misses and Women
Made of heavy Oxford cloth. Yoke lined with self material, guaranteed satin sleeve linings, patch pockets. Buttons high to neck. \$16.50 grade, at
\$9.75

Girls' Coats
Chinchillas, Cheviots and Curly-burly Cloth. Attractive styles in wanted colors. Sizes 6 to 14. \$5 to \$7.50 grades at
\$3.90

Infants' White Dresses
Yoke embroidery trimmed. Sizes six months to two years. 33c grade, at
18c

Hundreds of Other Bargain Lots For Men, Women and Children

Negro Has Grasp On Civilization, Says Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—In response to a question asked in his opinion, had been the most notable success of the negro in his fifty years of freedom, Booker T. Washington replied:

In my opinion the negro race has had the greatest success in the fundamental things of our American civilization during the last twenty-five years, during which time in a noticeable degree it has been learning to distinguish between the more chaotic of civilization and the progress and individual things of civilization and progress.

A good part of the first twenty-five years of our freedom was spent under the mistaken impression that we could save progress by seeking to produce the fundamental elements of civilization without the real possession of it.

In the matter of securing education, in the matter of growth in the possession of property, and in the matter of religious direction, as well as in establishing rational relations between the two races, the negro people have made genuine and substantial progress.

REVEALS THEFT OF \$35,000 GEMS

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—After two months of search by the police, it was learned today through the arrest of a suspect in Los Angeles, Cal., that the apartments of Mrs. Charles N. Crittenden in the Washington, No. 101 Madison street, were retained on November 2 and jewels valued at \$35,000 were taken. The suspect is C. H. H., alias C. H. Rogers.

BERNHARDT TO BUY RANCH FOR HER SON

ST. PAUL, Jan. 2.—Madame Sarah Bernhardt "turned down" Mrs. Harold McCort of Chicago, who offered "any sum" if she would appear at a society entertainment to be given at the Congress Hotel, January 25. The actress, by contract, formed her son, Maurice Bernhardt, manager of her theatre in Paris, that she would give him a 1,500 acre ranch near Colorado Springs.

MRS. JOHN TOPPING DEAD

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Maudie J. Topping, wife of John Topping, chairman of the board of directors of the Empire State Steel Company, died today.

EDEY WEALTHY BROKE, KILLS WIFE AND SELF

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Henry C. Edey, millionaire broker and member of the firm of H. H. Edey & Co., today shot and killed his wife and took his own life. The double tragedy was enacted at the fine country home of the broker at Great South Bay, Long Island, L. I., which for six months had been the center of one of the most unusual and sensational scandals of the decade.

In the event that led up to the murder and suicide, it was charged Mrs. Edey, described as the beautiful daughter of a shipowner, was alleged to have eloped with a man named Charles H. H., the keeper of a lively saloon at Bellerose, and the Edeys had not been reconciled when the news of the tragedy shocked the country side.

Poor but Beautiful.

Mrs. Edey was Catherine Livingston H. H. was a daughter of Anthony. The girl was well known for her good looks. She became the wife of Edey after his divorce in 1907 from Mrs. Lottie Carlton Edey, and it was charged Edey was paying court to the beautiful young woman when waiting for his freedom. August the villagers awoke one morning to find she had departed from the costly residence built by her husband and that Catherine H. H., the village live-in, was missing. Mrs. Edey returned to her husband and it was said the strange story had all been a mistake and that Mrs. Edey had merely been taking a trip to Bermuda with the full consent and knowledge of her husband.

Hear Shots in Edey Home.

Early today shots were heard in the Edey home. When the servants rushed into the room occupied by the couple, they found Mrs. Edey lying on a toilet room and Edey unconscious from a wound he had inflicted on himself. Dr. Leslie C. Baldwin arrived and called. He tried to revive the wife Edey, but the bullet had done its work. He died shortly.

Edey was a brother of Frederick H. Edey, millionaire society man, and he was given to drinking. He was a family figure along Great South Bay and took much of his recreation when not in town. His wife was fond of party and she procured H. H., the local expert on horse, to teach Mrs. Edey to ride.

FUNERAL OF MAYOR FARRELL SATURDAY

The funeral of Mayor Farrell of Malden will take place Saturday morning. High mass will be celebrated at 9 a. m. in the church of the Immaculate Conception by the Rev. Richard Neale. The City Council members tonight to discuss the situation. It will be voted to abandon the funeral procession arranged for next Monday. A special section for Mayor will have to be made for it. It is estimated that it will cost the city about \$2,000 and cannot give a new Mayor made of sixty days.

TODAY'S LATE CABLE NEWS

**5,300 Doctors Help
Work Insurance Act.**
LONDON.—The first list for doctors' names under the Insurance Act has been closed. The figures for 190 of the 121 insurance areas show about 5,300 doctors accepted service on the government's terms, and that between 600 and 700 doctors in London offered their services.

London Bakers May Strike.
LONDON.—The bakery strike threatens to be the beginning of serious labor troubles in London. At a meeting of the union leaders, representatives decided to demand more money and better conditions. London has not faced a bread famine for ten years. The bakers have rejected overtures, and decide the strike will not end until the price of petrol is reduced.

People Want Poincare.
PARIS.—Evidence of the popular desire that President Poincare shall succeed M. Fallieres as President was afforded when M. Poincare and President Fallieres rode together in an open carriage. The people cried enthusiastically, "Vive Poincare!"

Tunnel Under the Rhine.
BERLIN.—The construction of a great tunnel under the Rhine at Coblenz has received the imperial sanction, and work will shortly be begun. The tunnel will connect the two famous fortresses of Ehrenbreitstein.

Kaiser's Silver Jubilee.
BERLIN.—Preparations are already in hand to celebrate in the Spring the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Emperor's accession. Germany's 125 leading towns have contributed \$20,000, to be devoted to an illustrious edition.

Get Last Auto Bandit.
PARIS.—While searching for the perpetrator of a burglary at Jussieu the police found Alexander Noury, an assassin, who is believed to be the last member of the gang of auto bandits, fast asleep.

Asor Gives a Nursery.
PLAZA.—The Hon. William Asor is presenting Plymouth with a day nursery as a New Year's gift. It will cost \$1,200 to start with, and the \$1,000 as a subsidy.

Prince of Asturias with Fleet of Cias.
LONDON.—Prince Albert, son of King George, about sixty-four in order of merit in a list of sixty-five persons who underwent an examination for naval cadets.

Watching for Roaches.
CORINTH.—An inspector of police of Paris has arrived here and is keeping a watch for Roaches, the abominable French leader.

MISS NORRIS, WHO IS BOUND TO WIN IN CONTEST RACE



LYNN WOMAN HELD IN \$1,000 FOR ROBBERY

Miss Gertrude D. Fowler, thirty-five, of Malden place, Lynn, was held today in \$1,000 for the grand jury on the charge of assaulting and robbing Miss Georgia H. H., thirty, of No. 52 Essex street, Lynn, on Saturday evening, December 21. Her history on the stand positively identified Miss Fowler as the woman who assaulted her with an iron bar and took her money.

Miss Fowler denied making the robbery and explained her presence in the vicinity of the Lynn English high school by saying that she had been in the grocery store and was on her way home.

Inspector William Kane testified that the traced footprints in the soft ground to the Fowler's home.

CRUISER OFF SHORE WITH REID'S BODY

NANTUCKET RHODES LIGHTSHIP, Jan. 2.—The English cruiser Natal, bearing the body of Ambassador Reid, passed here shortly after 5 p. m. The funeral party was met by the United States battleships Florida and North Dakota, and the destroyers Fox, Drayton, McCall and Paulding, which convey the Natal to New York.

60 MORE MEN LEAVE SPAIN'S PARLIAMENT

MADRID, Jan. 2.—Sixty more Conservative members of Parliament resigned today, following the death of Don Manuel, their leader, who announced his purpose of retiring from public life. Many explained his retirement by the government's recent solution of the cabinet crisis which favored the Liberals.

"Mild"



"Distinctively Individual"—that is a quality that appeals to people who are particular. Fatima, a Turkish-bred, mild and exceedingly delightful. More sold than any other cigarette in the country!

20 for 15c

575.00 Fur Lined Coats, of natural muskrat, trimmed with Persian Lamb Collars, fine broadcloth shells \$39.75

575.00 Fur Lined coats, of Marmot skins, trimmed with Persian Lamb Collars, fine broadcloth shells. \$39.75

R. H. WHITE CO.

CONTESTANTS, GET BUSY; YOU MAY WIN AUTO

By the CONTEST EDITOR.

Business among you contestants in the AMERICAN \$40,000 Contest will now be a four-day runabout automobile in less than two weeks more. A full description of this car is given in an advertisement on another page of today's AMERICAN.

The winner of this special New Year's automobile will be fortunate. Today every contestant is making the most of the special New Year's offer announced by the Contest Editor yesterday.

And there is only one thing to do—GET BUSY!

Don't wait until next week to round up your subscriptions BEHIND TODAY.

There is a special vote bonus given for each subscription turned in between January 1 and January 15 at 10 p. m.

Here is the table of vote values during the New Year's offer:

100 votes.....	100 votes.....
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BOSTON AMERICAN \$40,000 CONTEST

GOOD FOR 5 VOTES

VALUELESS AFTER Thursday, Jan. 16.

Name _____
Street and No. _____
City or Town _____ Dist. _____

Send this in the mails. Every dollar entered secures from the contest a chance to win a prize. Every dollar entered secures from the contest a chance to win a prize. Every dollar entered secures from the contest a chance to win a prize.

Among those present at the Contest Headquarters last Tuesday night was Miss Nellie Norris of No. 35 Worcester street, Boston, an enthusiastic District One candidate.

Miss Norris says, "The principal thing for candidates in this contest to remember is a biblical question, 'As ye sow, so shall ye reap.' It applies particularly to this contest, as the prize harvest will be a rich one, and it is simply a matter of sowing time and energy NOW and reaping a big reward in a few more weeks. You may be sure that the authorities will slip through MY fingers."

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COLE ERRS ON SCHOOL CHARGE, DECLARES

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NORA F. THAYER, VINCENT CLUB GIRL, A BRIDE TODAY



MRS. NORA F. THAYER

With a six months' betrothal in South America to begin tomorrow, Miss Nora Thayer, Vincent Club Girl, of the Vincent Club, today became the bride of Frank Abbott Goodhue, the Boston banker and clubman in the Unitarian Church, Lancaster.

Business and pleasure will be combined on the South American trip, for Mr. Goodhue has planned to arrange looking over the continent in the southern continent, and he will study trade conditions and opportunities for business extension by the United States.

Mr. Goodhue recently resigned as president of the Broadway Trust Company, and work in South America. A graduate of Harvard, he is a member of the Trust and the Vincent Club.

Miss Thayer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thayer of Lancaster, and made her debut several seasons ago. She has appeared in many of the Vincent Club entertainments.

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CASSIDY ASKS HOUSEWIVES TO BARE CHEATS

Harry P. Cassidy today issues an invitation to Boston and New England housewives. It is an invitation to them to help him clean up their pantry shelves—to help him protect them, their husbands and children from adulterers or druggists.

By HARRY P. CASSIDY.
I have begun an investigation of Boston's food products. I have seen enough already to prove that adulterated and drugged and mislabeled foods are being sold throughout the city.

Several Boston women have written to me, asking my attention to brands of food which they believe are either adulterated or drugged.

Wherever possible, I have sent my personal thanks for these letters. To those I have not been able to answer, I now extend my thanks. And to all housewives, I extend an invitation. Do your food "taste queer"? Write to me.

Does your baby get sick after eating that candy she bought at the corner store? Write to me.

Does your husband's taste for his jellies—bought at the store? Write to me.

Does your rice feel powdery in your rice? Write to me.

Does your evaporated fruit have a taste not natural to fruit? Write to me.

If you find anything at all wrong in your food, or if you suspect anything wrong, write to me. I shall plan to visit every sample of that food destroyed. If I find anything wrong, you will be sure to hear from me.

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Houghton & Dutton Co.

It pays to pay Cash
We Give Legal Stamps NEW ENGLAND'S GREAT CASH HOUSE. We Give Legal Stamps

FRIDAY HOUR SALES

As you will see by the dials of the clocks, our famous Friday Hour Sales have been extended, for this Friday only, to an all day sale. This is done for the express benefit of our customers

15c Beans 11c
15c Peas 12c
12c Salt 8c
15c Corn 11c
10c Puffed Wheat 23c
2 pkgs. for 15c
5c Soap for 3c
10 bars for 3c
12c Raisins 9c
30c Pineapple 23c
25c Crab Meat 21c
15c Sardines 10c
41c Coffee 32c
10c Nabisco's 21c
2 pkgs. for 13c
10c Pork and Beans 12c
10c Flour 11c
2 pkgs. for 15c
15c Washing Powder 11c
22c Cocoa 16c

15c Butter 11c
25c York State Cheese 10c
10c Fresh Eggs 10c
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Is the Wish of New England's Fastest Growing Newspaper

THE BOSTON AMERICAN

Greater Gains Made in Four Years in Advertising and Circulation

Than Have Been Made by Any Other Newspaper in New England

In Display Advertising Alone

During That Period

The Boston American gained - 10,481½ cols
 The Boston Post gained - - - 7,543 cols
 The Boston Globe gained - - 3,199½ cols
 The Boston Herald gained - - 2,148¼ cols

In Advertising of All Kinds

From the Smallest Want Ad. to the "Double Spread" of the Large Department Stores

The Boston American gained - 11,765 cols
 The Boston Post gained - - - 9,253¼ cols
 The Boston Globe gained - - 6,358 cols
 The Boston Herald gained - - 1,522¼ cols

Over a Quarter of a Million Lines of Automobile Display Advertising published in the Boston American since January 1, 1912. This is a gain of 27½% over 1911. The Boston American in 1912 was FIRST in Auto Truck Advertising.

LARGEST Daily and Sunday Net Paid Circulation in New England. On Sunday alone the Net Paid Circulation of the Boston American is greater than the total circulation of any other Boston Sunday newspaper. An absolutely accurate canvass of all the News Dealers who handle the delivery of the Boston Sunday newspapers in the Back Bay district proves that **The Boston Sunday American** leads all other Boston Sunday newspapers in the Back Bay Section.

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WHY AUTHORITIES BELIEVE MILDRED DONOVAN'S END WAS DUE TO VIOLENCE

Condition of Shoes Indicated Lifeless Form Had Been Dragged.

The body of Mrs. Mildred Donovan was discovered about 1:30 o'clock Sunday at Park, of No. 55 Northgate street, Dorchester, a driver for the Great Eastern Tea company of Boston, noticed something lying in the roadway half a dozen feet from the roadside. He jumped from the seat to investigate. Immediately behind him came Daniel J. Hayes of No. 1170 Massachusetts avenue, Dorchester, a driver for the Gulf Baking Oil Company of Somerville. Hayes had also noticed something strange by the roadside.

Park was the first to reach the body. The condition of the body through which he walked toward the street made him think there had been a struggle. The woman was lying face upward. The way her body was lying and the condition of her clothing made it appear more convincing that she had had a struggle or at least had not died a natural death.

Not There in Morning.
Behind Park and Hayes came Frank Farmer, who lives on Oliver street, in Duxbury, a part of Malden, which covers the district in which the Holy Cross cemetery is. Farmer declared he had several times past the spot in the morning, but had not noticed anything unusual.

The men saw the mark over the nose, which was later found to indicate a fracture, and the marks on the throat. The police afterward declared the three marks were bloodspots and were not caused by a man's fingers.

The men notified the police at once, and Acting Chief Foley dispatched inspectors. They found a blood spot at the roadside, and the trail led unmistakably to the body. The blood spot later in the afternoon became an important link in a theory the police advanced. This was that the woman might have been one of a party which had died, perhaps in Boston on New Year's eve.

What Police Thought.
In an automobile she travelled with her companion or companion. She was attacked, so the theory ran, and probably slain. The auto was driven along Lynn street, until the police stopped it, and the body was taken into the house.

This theory, the police said at the time they told about it, would explain the

MRS. MILDRED DONOVAN, DEAD WOMAN, AND HUSBAND



broken shroud by saying the woman's body had been dragged from the roadside. The blood on the roadside might have been left when the woman's body was lifted from the automobile. Mud on the woman's shoes might have been caused by the charge of shooting with attempt to kill.

The spot where the body was found in but a short distance from the cemetery gate, and is but far from the Holy Cross cemetery, on the Malden side. The road is three or four feet higher than the marsh land. Lynn street is much traveled by all sorts of vehicles.

Girl's Nose Was Broken, Apparently from a Blow, the Authorities Declare.

continued until the result of the shooting became known.
"We do not expect McPherson, whom the prisoner shot, to live twenty-four hours," Inspector Irwin stated.
Jennings showed no interest at all in this statement. He acted as though he was either dazed or did not care what was taking place.

POLICE GRILL FIGHTER ON \$40 IN HIS POSSESSION

When arrested for the alleged shooting of McPherson, who lived at No. 121 West Concord street, Jennings had \$40 on his person. The Boston police subjected him to a rigid examination concerning his movements the past few days and where he got the money. He claims to have won it in a crap game, remarking, "I started with a shoe string in the game and got enough to build a schoolhouse."

The most baffling feature of the case is the refusal of Medical Examiner Farrell and the two experts who assisted him at the autopsy, Dr. William Swan of Cambridge and Professor Whitney of Harvard Medical school, to state positively whether death was due to foul play or natural causes.

"While the doctors appear somewhat in doubt concerning the manner of Mrs. Donovan's death there are features that strongly support the hypothesis of murder. There are the facts that the body was carried to the bushes for later concealment, and by one person, and also by the reports of a woman's entry heard by neighbors who live at the mortuary end of the cemetery."

Mud on the woman's shoes indicates she was dragged from the road into the undergrowth, as does the disturbed condition of the soft dirt, but there was no evidence of a struggle.

"KID CARTER" (J. B. JENNINGS) PRISONER IN MYSTERY



Corrigan is caretaker of the Holy Cross cemetery, where it is a few hundred yards away, but the body was found fully a quarter of a mile away. Miss Moran said:
"I was waiting for my nephew, Ed Carr, to return from Boston, when he had gone to attend the New Year's

celebration on the Common. It was about 2 o'clock, or maybe a little before that. I heard an automobile coming down Eastern avenue, and saw it shakily its speed near the track. Thus I heard a woman shriek. The car continued on its journey in the direction of the cemetery, and I heard

Blood Found Some Distance from Where Body Lay When It Was Discovered.

the woman's outcry more than a mile away.
Mr. Corrigan said:
My sister-in-law told us about it. The strange part of it was that when my son went to Mrs. Mary Bailey's store on the corner yonder she remarked about hearing an automobile pass her house and about a woman screaming faintly.

Mrs. Bailey said:
It was about half past one or two o'clock that I heard an automobile pass my house and heard a woman screaming. Tonight while visiting Mrs. Emerson, a neighbor, I told her about the story. She said that she and another lady in the neighborhood had been nearly run down by an automobile on Eastern avenue as they walked from a car at two o'clock in the morning on their return from a New Year's celebration and that she got kind of scared and cried out. I can't say whether those were the cries that I heard.

C. R. Flaherty of No. 287 Lynn street said:
I heard an outcry after midnight. I couldn't say whether it came from an automobile or not. Neither could I swear that it was an outcry of joy or of distress. The place where the body was found is about 500 yards from Mrs. Bailey's house, but as you can see I live more than two blocks away from Mrs. Bailey and fully a block to the east of Mrs. Moran.

Jack Rose's Confession of Life in the Underworld.

The arena installment of this fascinating, absorbing and instructive story—written by a man—will appear, in two pages, exclusively in next SUNDAY'S BOSTON AMERICAN.

STRANGE CAREER OF "KID CARTER," PRISONER IN DEATH MYSTERY

James Brandon Jennings, the last person seen with Mrs. Mildred S. Donovan, the Maiden mystery victim, is well known to the police and public in Greater Boston. He is best known as "Kid Carter." To the police he also has been known as "Pat McKenna" and "Boatley." Jennings had served several terms in jail, it is said.

As a father Jennings, according to his friends, never was better than a "welterweight" boxer, and a "tough one" at that. He relied on his ability to take punishment to help him win. He also had some leaning toward the stage, in the belief that he could act. He never appeared on the stage in Boston.

First Lived in Chelsea.
So far as is known, his first Boston home was on Division street, in Chelsea. Whether he was born there, the police do not know. In 1905 he appeared in boxing bouts in Chelsea.

On September 9, 1905, with a party of six admirers Jennings went to Helen W. W. Jones. The party danced to a ball then and made trouble. Officer Duffy of the Salem police interfered.
"I would better keep quiet," he warned the party.
Jennings told him to mind his own business.
"You mean," he told Officer Duffy, "I'm a kid of Kid Carter, the famous Chelsea boxer? Well, that's me, see?"
The policeman told Jennings to be quiet.
"If you don't, I'll have to arrest you," said Duffy.
Jennings asked if the policeman was a prizefighter. Duffy had a reputation as a boxer, and he gave the "Kid" better than he sent. The "Kid" was arrested, and the next day in the Boston District Court got three months in the house.

"KID CARTER'S" MOTHER DID NOT SEE THE WOMAN

Mr. Jennings, mother of "Kid Carter," lives at No. 805 Broadway, Everett, with her family. She was interviewed by a Boston AMERICAN reporter today.
"Did you know Mrs. Donovan?"
"Yes."
"Where did you see her last?"
"Several days ago."
"Did you see her Tuesday night?"
"No."
"Didn't she come to the house with a message from your son?"

House of Correction for assault and an additional six months for disorderly conduct. He served the term.

Arrested in the West.
On several occasions, it was reported today, Jennings heard at a club on Broadway, South Boston. He remained in Boston and Chelsea until the Chelsea fire in 1908. Then he went West under the name of McKenna. The next heard of him was by his friends in Boston when he was arrested in the West on suspicion of having slain a man. He was discharged, as no evidence could be found against him.

The next news of the youth was when he appeared in the ring several occasions, but never won great notoriety for his fighting. He began drifting back East early in 1908, fighting several times in Colorado and in other States. He came to Philadelphia and New York.
On his return to Boston in 1909, the "Kid" soon drifted back to his old haunts. On July 2, 1909, he fought in a fight in Chelsea. He watched two men in a street battle. One was knocked down, Jennings, according to the police, jumped in and pounded the other one. A warrant was sworn out for his arrest, but he never been served.
"I was," Jennings said, "frightened by Everett, fearing he would be locked up on the old warrant. He told the Boston police today the reason he paired with Mrs. Donovan on Tuesday night was because he feared the warrant might be served on him by some policeman who would recognize the boxer in the man."

The Boston police declare Jennings served a six months' term in the East District Court got three months in the house.

"KID CARTER'S" MOTHER DID NOT SEE THE WOMAN

"No, she did not."
"Not at any time Tuesday night."
"Not at all. I didn't see her Tuesday."
Mrs. Jennings was asked other questions bearing upon the friendship between her son and Mrs. Donovan, and replied that she knew nothing of them or had nothing to say.

Cool Before Court.
Jennings was taken to Police Headquarters shortly after 9 o'clock today. He was questioned by Captain Armstrong, Sergeant Irwin and Patrolman Desmond. For two hours the police held the young man on the mark. Following this talk, detectives searched through the Greater city to verify, if possible, what Jennings had related.

When the policeman had finished with him, Jennings was taken into the Municipal Court and put in the detention room. He was sent before Judge Bennett. The prisoner was apparently indifferent to his situation. He glanced about the court coolly as the complaint was being read.
The courtroom was filled with those who had gathered to get a glance at the tall, broad-shouldered, athletic-looking man. He

"SAIL FROM BOSTON"

To the Merchants and Business Men of Boston and New England:

I have had prepared in the interest of the development of the port of Boston and the business of all New England, men whose prosperity the New England Railroad Lines must absolutely depend for their future, an eight page illustrated circular in the form of a railroad folder which I invite the merchants and business men of New England to accept of freely, and enclose in the envelopes in which they send out their New Year and later accounts to their correspondents, both within and without New England.

This circular is headed, "Sail From Boston; But First See New England." It shows the relative size of the earliest and latest in ocean liners, maps the ocean routes of the six passenger lines now operating from Boston, gives sailing dates of the various steamers from Boston for 1913, notes the location and rates of the more than thirty first-class hotels in Boston, and details the attractions in and around Boston for a stop-over by the ocean tourist.

It weighs only half an ounce, or half the weight that goes under letter postage, and therefore its circulation should cost you nothing.

The New England Railroad Lines propose to place these with their 2100 station agents throughout New England for free distribution that the people may send them in their correspondence to their western friends and thereby co-operate in the upbuilding of the business of the port of Boston and New England.

But the first 100,000 should be put into immediate use by the mercantile community hereabouts and the New England Lines are willing to print them BY THE MILLION, if you and the people of New England will only circulate them.

To my first advertisement with the slogan, "Sail From Boston; But First See New England," the response and inquiries have been more largely from the West than from New England. This is most hopeful for future business but the immediate co-operation of business men and merchants of Boston and New England, in efforts for mutual upbuilding, is now invited.

I, therefore, ask that every business house in New England, interested in the future of New England and the port of Boston, and desirous of their development, will immediately send to my office memoranda of the number of circulars they will place in envelopes to their correspondents, and with their traveling men, to invite business through the port of Boston.

All applications to my office, Room 492, South Station, Boston, will be duly honored and these circulars will be sent with no charge for them, or for their delivery, to any business house in Boston, or on any railroad line under my management.

Let us now to business for 1913 in full confidence that New England has the best port for transatlantic ships and passengers and that the development of this port means the development of every business interest in New England.

CHARLES S. MELLEN,
President.

Boston, December 26, 1912.

P. S. Samples of the "Sail From Boston" folder will be sent to anyone on request.

All Humors

Are impure matters which the skin, liver, kidneys and other organs cannot take care of without help. Pimples, boils, eczema and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, bilious turns, fits of indigestion, full headaches and other troubles are due to them. In their treatment be sure to take

Hood's Sarsaparilla

In the usual liquid form or in the tablets known as Sarsatablets.

FOSS DEMANDS END OF THE NEW HAVEN MONOPOLY

In His Inaugural Governor Urges State Ownership of Railroads.

Governor Foss, in his third inaugural message today to the General Assembly, called upon the Legislature to enact at once a law which will allow the people of this State to elect a board to direct the New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and to force the New Haven to sell its Boston & Maine stock. The Governor also in the message urged the Legislature to appropriate \$200,000 for harbor improvements and the development of necessary projects.

The Governor in his message, however, would in no way touch upon the election of a board to direct the New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and to force the New Haven to sell its Boston & Maine stock.

Election of a board to direct the New Haven & Hartford Railroad, and to force the New Haven to sell its Boston & Maine stock.

Your duty, in all these things, and its federal discharge all the more urgent, by reason of the repeated refusal of the New Haven to obey the will of the people, and in respect to giving them the right to choose their own representatives.

The people have the right to be represented in the United States Senate. If you were to send to the Senate an accepting representative of the people, but an accepting representative of the dominant monopoly—you would prove false to your duty.

This is an important question, and one upon which we come to this station with much to be said. It is not that we cannot do better, but that we cannot do better than the United States Senate.

For the United States Senate, we have no interest in public government, and we have no interest in public government.

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Modern Social Justice. They will believe that under public ownership the government would adopt a progressive policy of developing the country's resources and improving public property, and could make public investments of all kinds in public improvements and in the public service, without the fear, now ever present, that such money will be diverted from public benefit to the private profit of the railroad monopoly. And they will believe that such action as a whole will get better results from solidarity to representation in Congress on railroad matters than any action given by uncontrolled railroad monopoly of the nation. They will believe that the alleged railroad monopoly of the government for carrying the mails and the antitrust act in connection with the parcel post, will disappear.

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IMPORTANT POINTS IN THE THIRD INAUGURAL MESSAGE OF GOV. FOSS

1—The Governor calls for the passage immediately of a law which will enable the people of Massachusetts to choose for themselves the members who are to succeed Senator Crane in the United States Senate.

2—The Governor elaborately and favorably discusses the advantages of the public ownership of railroads, pointing out that the drift has been in recent years strongly in that direction, and that the National Government in every day giving new evidence of its capacity to operate the railroads by its successful handling of even greater problems, such as the building of the Panama Canal, its irrigation work, the parcel post, its conservative work, and other great national improvements. Then the Governor proceeds to tell the Legislature that conservative men who are yet unconvinced that the government ought to operate the railroads, must see in present conditions the necessity of such public participation in the management of the railroads as will allow the present strong and justifiable public discontent with private railroad management.

3—The Governor recommends that the Boston Railroad Holding Company, through which the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad now exercises its control of the Boston & Maine, should be dissolved, and the New Haven Railroad transferred be obliged to get rid of its Boston & Maine stock according to law.

4—The Governor recommends that the New England States all have such a representation on the Board of Directors as will give the public representatives a majority of the Board of Directors. The Governor urges the development of our coast and inland waterways, and the removal of their control from any private transportation interests.

5—The appropriation of fifty millions is recommended by the Governor for the necessary harbor improvements and acquisition, and the development of the necessary terminals in the Metropolitan District.

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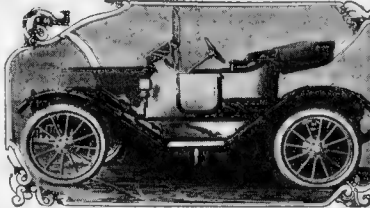
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All you will need is a license and gasoline



SPECIFICATIONS—UNIT POWER PLANT

MOTOR—20 H. P., four cylinders, cast in pairs, 1-head, 1 1/2 inch bore, 2 1/2 inch stroke, extra large valves with adjustable push rods. Spark and throttle control levers below steering wheel.

COOLING—Thermo-siphon, with fan.

CARBURETOR—Kington, special, designed for this motor.

IGNITION—High tension magneto, and dry coil for starting.

LUBRICATION—Oil, forced into right side of crank case, vacuum feed system, bearings and shafts lubricated by oil.

CLUTCH—Cone, large, improved type, with ball thrust and Raybestos facing.

TRANSMISSION—Reversible, sliding gear. Two speeds forward and one reverse. Nickle-plated gears.

DRIVE—Shaft, through one universal joint.

AXLES—Front, tubular; Rear, semi-floating, with 1 1/2 inch ball joints. Gear ratio 4 to 1.

WHEELS—Arbitrary, type 30x, with Goodyear discless tires.

WHEEL BASE—39 inches.

TREAD—30 or 60 inches.

BRAKES—Internal and external on rear wheel drum. Service brake operated by foot pedal; emergency brake operated by hand lever.

STEERING GEAR—Rack and pinion.

FRAME—Pressed steel channel.

SPRINGS—Semi-elliptic, front; three quarter elliptic, rear. Rear springs extra long to insure easy riding.

BODY—Two passenger, torpedo type or straight line four-door, large and roomy, upholstered with deep-buffed leather over plenty of curled hair. Deep cushions with springs. Floor board removable and covered with nickel-plated with nickel-plated bindings. Extra large fenders bolted solid to frame.

PAINTING—Body little gray; chassis black; wheels striped; all sheet metal parts, black.

MOUNTING—Full nickel-plated throughout.

EQUIPMENT—Motor top, with hood and curtains, wind shield, five lamps, front-G-Lite tank, horn, auto jack, pump, tire repair kit, and tools.

NOTE—Motor has full nickel-plated mounting. NO BRASS TO POLISH.

A SPECIAL VOTE BONUS

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New Year's Bonus Offer Schedule				
Length of Subscription	Guarantee Required	Regular Value	Special Bonus	Total Value
6 Months	25 Cts	1500	750	2250
12 Months	50 Cts	3500	1750	5250
36 Months	100 Cts	7500	3750	11250

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WILL NEVER BATTLE COLORED BOXER SAYS THE NEW CHAMPION

May Go on Stage

M'CARTY MUST WIPE OUT HIS DEFEAT BY WILLARD

Willard Lee Good, 34, of 1001 1/2 E. 1st St., W. Wash. D.C., was arrested on a charge of kidnapping on May 1, 1968, after a search of his apartment in the city.

Good was arrested by a police officer who was on duty at the time of the search. The officer found a small, dark, rectangular object in the apartment, which was identified as a knife. The knife was found in a room that was used as a bedroom.

Good was taken to the police station and held in custody. He was charged with kidnapping and was held in custody for several days. He was released on May 3, 1968, after a hearing.

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through all its years of prestige, that to-day retains the Good Old Blake Whisky its long and long-time lead in the public's favor.

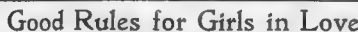
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By BEATRICE FAIRFAX

"I will hold myself high, for the
who courts a girl who holds herself

"I will put no faith in a love which a man desires to be kept secret, knowing that if a man is ashamed of his love, he is also ashamed of me."

No Monopoly

"I will let no man monopolize a time even though we be engaged. I have my evenings alone with him" between that they become events, some continue

"If he believes me without faults, not feel that my family does not appreciate me because they have never subscribed to that opinion."

"I will tax my lover neither for
nor compliments, for a love that is
asks neither.
"I will remember always that if
I may have his love now and it seem

"I will never become panic-stricken because the years pass without bringing a lover, remembering always that the

happiness without marriage
'If it is destined to me to remain
spinster I will find contentment in m
and much employment in giving consol
to the friends of my girlhood who m

"I will always love little children, the love a woman has for little children is sweet and wholesome and

Household Hints

water is the right proportion. When in
they will be as white as snow
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A piece of soda the size of a nutmeg
measures the water and takes it out.

preserves the color and help to make a vegetable tender. A touch of sugar also useful. Put all vegetables into boiling water, with plenty of salt; water injures the quality. Boil very

but do not cover the vessel. If b
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Lung Trouble Yielded

To This Medicin

Consumption is a flattering disease—the one of its chief dangers. Those who have it rarely wishing to acknowledge the fact. If trouble is present, it is no time for trifling. A so-called "cold" has long persisted. If a

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I don't know that I find it

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wonderful medicine

A. Q. BETTERSWORTH
(Sworn affidavit)

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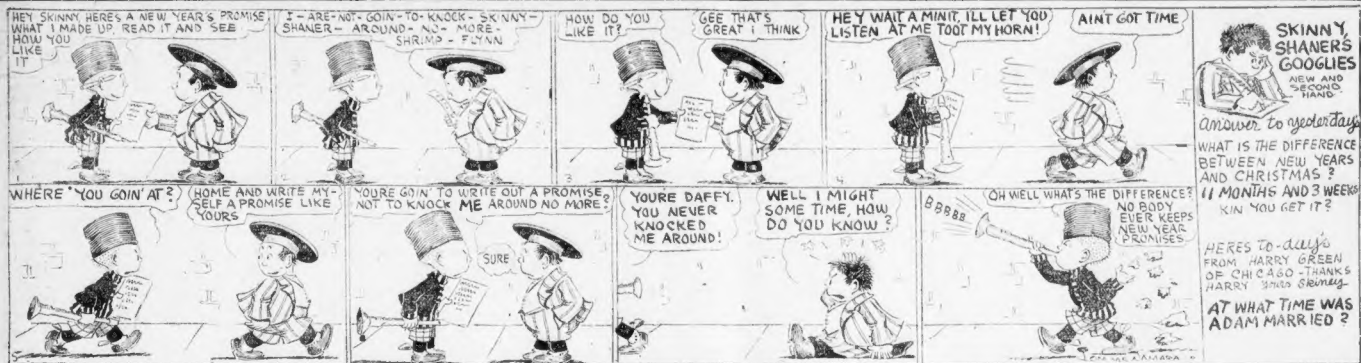
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Skinny Shaner Wanted to Be on the Safe Side

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Positive Polly

She Knows What's Good for Pa

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Groucho the Monk

He and His Friends Made Some Resolutions Yesterday

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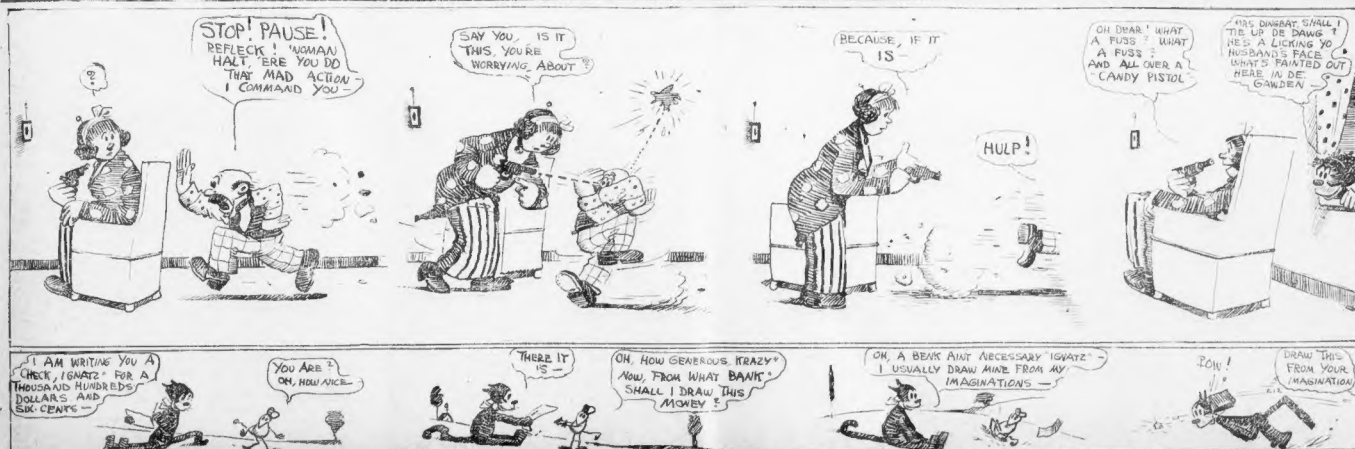


The Dingbat Family

While Charming in Appearance

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By Herriman



60 TIMES PREDICTED BY A PUBLISHER

When Charles B. Strecker, president of the Boston Financial News, was asked by the Boston AMERICAN what he thought of the business outlook, he replied:

"I look forward to the new year in a spirit of extreme optimism. The tremendous crop, with which nature favored us this year, have made an extraordinary addition to the wealth of the nation, resulting in a full employment for labor at the highest wages known; thus providing workers in our industries, as well as the agricultural classes, with the greatest buying power in the history of this or any other nation. The wealth of our soil has always been the basis of our national prosperity and it has been my observation that no other influence has been able to offset it, except temporally."

The three problems that face the country at this time, which may have some bearing on business conditions, are the tariff, currency and banking reform, and the fight against monopoly."

As evidenced from the information that comes to me from the leaders of the Democratic party, that the revision of the tariff will be one and the same character as the tariff of the wage war without causing injury to any of our New England industries."

I fully believe that President Wilson has a better understanding of the tariff question than any of his predecessors, and that he is fully alive to the necessity for maintaining confidence so that our currency may not be checked."

Aside from the tariff question there is the need of a reform of our banking and currency system, which will provide greater elasticity; a reform that income more and more pressing with each step forward in our industrial development."

TO AUCTION OFF

5 STORIES WRITTEN

BY J. R. LAURENT

The five stories left by James H. Laurent, the Cambridgeport man who was slain early in the war, are now being sold because he was a failure as an author, will be auctioned tomorrow at the office of Attorney Thomas A. Gleason. By the terms of the will they must be sold for not less than \$1,000 apiece.

Whether Laurent is really dead, as his note said, or whether he merely left his note as a clever ruse to all the manuscript, is a question the police have not yet been able to solve.

His brother John is reported to be a student. He suggested Attorney Gleason to take care of the matter. He also suggested that the will be auctioned off.

How Laurent left his note is a mystery. "For the Frustrated's Benefit," "My's Marjorie's Fate," "Hard Luck."

More of the pathetic details of Laurent's struggle as an author, which he like his brother, sought inspiration in the still quiet hours of the night. But, unlike his brother, he could not afford to be idle about the city. He tried about the city.

But all he got for his work were scores of "We Begun" sales, until, at last, the other side of things changed. Two of the pages he found the story were not even read.

REV. F. B. BOYER, SAW FIGHT AT NEW BEDFORD

Letters telling of the train service given Boston and New Bedford people by the New Haven road have been received by the AMERICAN, following an announcement that this newspaper will publish such letters containing grievances of any kind, or excerpts of them, and that the originals will be turned over to Chairman, President of the Interstate Commerce Commission. In the letters received the New Haven is both attacked and defended. Two of the letters follow:

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NEW ENGLAND,
DAILY AND SUNDAY

A Bill Excluding GOOD MOTHERS from the United States

It Is the Stupid Bill Passed by the Lower House of Congress

A bill forbidding the admission of immigrants to this country, if **UNABLE TO READ IN SOME RECOGNIZED LANGUAGE**, has been passed by the National House of Representatives.

Just what "a recognized language" is **WE DON'T KNOW**. We do know, however, that the phraseology of this bill is as foolish as it is vague, and that the bill is criminal and unworthy even of the men that passed it.

Are the Congressmen who voted for this bill aware of the fact that it would have kept the mother of Abraham Lincoln out of the United States had she arrived here an immigrant?

Nancy Hanks, Lincoln's mother, could probably neither read nor write. But it could hardly be said that her presence in the United States was bad for the country. It would have been unfortunate for the United States had some intelligent Congressman managed to get rid of Nancy Hanks, the mother of Lincoln, **BECAUSE SHE COULDN'T READ IN SOME RECOGNIZED LANGUAGE**.

Do the Congressmen know, for instance, that the mother of Reman, one of the greatest of modern historians and men of letters, was also unable to read? He was proud of the fact that his mother, a peasant woman, gave him his best qualities—in spite of the fact that she had no education.

Do the eminent Congressmen realize that what we need in this country is **GOOD** men and women rather than educated men and women?

We have plenty of worthless human beings over here able to read and write, some of them in even more than one "recognized language." We might well trade dozens of them for some well-built strong women of good character, good purposes, fond of children, **WILLING TO BEAR CHILDREN**, able to contribute something to this nation.

It is to be hoped that this bill will be vetoed by the President of the United States, if it ever reaches him. It is a bill that would exclude, for instance, more than three-quarters of the population of Spain. For in Spain not one-quarter of the population is able to read and write. This does not mean, however, that we ought to keep out Spanish men and women of good character because of lack of education.

On the contrary, we need more blood, the energy. We have the public school system, the greatest institution of this Republic, the children of the immigrants will read. And they will make better citizens in many cases, because they come of parents **LACKING EDUCATION, BUT WITH THE COURAGE, ENERGY AND ENTERPRISE TO CROSS THE OCEAN AND COME TO THIS DISTANT COUNTRY**.

The Congressmen and Senators that pass bills to keep good men and out of this country are the dogs in the manger, unable to one-tenth of the possibilities that the country possesses, yet willing to let others come in and share.

What are we **ALL** but immigrants or the descendants of immigrants? How many of the men in Congress are descended from immigrants able to read? **NOT ONE IN TEN**.

Inability to read does not mean lack of character, lack of usefulness, but simply **LACK OF OPPORTUNITY**. This country calls itself the country of opportunity.

What a disgrace to shut out those most in need of our opportunity, those that have been deprived in their childhood of the chance that the public schools offer to all children here!

We beg to tell the Congressmen that it is not **READING** that makes useful citizens, **BUT THINKING**. And many a man and woman in Europe, unable to read, but able to think, and longing for opportunity in a free country, would make better citizens for America than the man with all possibilities within himself and no energy to make him utilize it.

You may be sure that the peasant mother of Leonardo Da Vinci could not read. But if we could bring one hundred thousand such women to this country we would elevate the country considerably. You may be sure that the tanner's daughter who became the mother of William the Conqueror was unable to read. But **SHE WAS ABLE TO HAVE A PRETTY GOOD SON**. And what if this country wants from women is not so much ability to read as a combination of the ability to think and to raise children.

Highest Achievement of Man This Year

Max Nordau, writing from Paris, says that the greatest thing that has happened in 1912 is "the extension of European culture in European Turkey." But Mr. Nordau is unable to confess himself to mere history. He indulges himself in a flight of prophecy.

Over against the gigantic labors of Europe he balances the supreme problem of the United States. He looks to America for the most significant achievement of 1913. He says: "In the next year I hope to see the President-elect, Mr. Wilson, successfully wrestle with the great struggle for economic liberty. For more than a century Europe has looked to America to blaze the path of political liberty."

The President-elect, writing in a current periodical on "The New Freedom," describes the fight for the political mastery of economic forces as a world-wide war. During the present generation Europe as well as the United States has seen the rise of "big business" and consolidated finance to a position of dominance over all the established agencies of political power.

That Mr. Wilson seems to agree with Mr. Max Nordau that the highest task of mankind during the coming year will be the solution of "the trust problem"—the re-establishment of the sovereignty of the people throughout the whole field of industry and exchange,

A Man's at His Best at 50

German Scientists Make the Cheerful Announcement That Dr. Osler Is All Wrong

By T. E. POWERS

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Will the Great "Superdreadnoughts" Prove Themselves to Be Dinosaurs of the Sea?

Overgrowth Destroyed the Armed Monsters of Jurassic Times and Armored Knights of Middle Ages—America Will Be Ready to Meet Situation When Big Battleships Cease to Be Valuable.

By GARRETT P. SERVISS.

STOOD close beside the mighty battleship New York as she rushed, with an anthem of victory that shook the air, down the ringing grooves which led from her huge cradle to the salt tide waters that are to be her home. Never have I heard another such diapason played by an instrument made with human hands. The ground trembled, the atmosphere was turned into a gigantic lute, with every string in accordant vibration. The strange hoarse-ness of the rushing ship, blending with the roar of a thousand welcoming whistles and the cheers from fifty thousand throats, made a concert of triumphant melodies that will always ring in my ears.

The overwhelming effect was partly the result of surprise; I had not expected that the great battleship would go gliding to the sea. Her voice was one to make every patriotic heart beat quicker. There was in it no time of doubt or fear. It was the anticipatory chant of battle and of victory.

How Great Will Monsters Grow Before They Disappear?

But as I looked upon her huge steel bulk I could not but ask myself: How many more of these war monsters must we build before the reign of peace shall come? How much greater must they grow before they disappear entirely? Historians tell us that the armed monsters of Jurassic times grew so tall, so heavy, so unwieldy,

Man's activities are no longer confined to the surface of the earth and the sea; he soars above the one and dives beneath the other, and, still filled with the spirit of battle, he carries his instruments of destruction with him wherever he goes.

When it will all end, who can tell? The way to universal peace is not the way of disarmament. As long as other nations continue to build super-dreadnoughts we must build them, and build them better than anybody else. Their abolition will not come through the preaching of any theory, but through the teachings of the next great war. We were the first, taught by the experience of war, to build armored ships; perhaps we shall also be the first to show that something better can be made.

Conquest of Air and of Depths Will Alter War

The New York is called a "superdreadnought," and she looks it! Her cost is \$5,000,000. Possibly she shall soon see superdreadnoughts, costing double the money, but we cannot go on forever in that way. These dinosaurs of the sea will ultimately give place to other forms less unwieldy, more active, quicker in movement, better fitted to survive amid the change of environment that is now rapidly coming over the whole world.

No Advance Is Achieved That Is Not Result of Experience

No advance was ever achieved upon the earth that was not the result of experience. The teachings of one experience endure and must be utilized until the next comes in its turn, and those who triumph are those who the most promptly meet the new conditions as they arise. The New York, with her battle song upon her steel bow, is the mighty mistress of the seas today; tomorrow her hour may be passed. But of one thing we may feel sure, whatever the demands of the morrow may be America will know how to meet them.

Dr. Parkhurst's Article

Progress in Farming—Col. Exall's \$10,000 Propaganda Brings Returns of \$52,000, and Potentials of Move Are Worth Much More

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TEXAS is a long way off, and a good deal can be going on there without our knowing much about it here in Boston, New York, Chicago, St. Louis or San Francisco. But the distance at which any event occurs does not diminish its value as news if only it be news that is of general import and can be turned to account elsewhere.

There is a man in Dallas, Texas, who is lifting the State upon the high wave of agricultural prosperity. There is something in the man, in what he is doing and in the way that he is doing it that can be copied into every part of the country. Men like Colonel Exall are rare, but they illustrate the possibility of producing a class of results that are rapidly becoming the economic necessity of our country.

We must not forget that the foundation of national prosperity lies in the soil. The basis of life is physical. Individually we depend upon the body. Nationally we depend on the ground and on what we can get out of it in the shape of crops. Intensive farming is something that as yet our people know very little about.

Boston Could Get All of Its Vegetables from Nearby

It would be possible, so the experts say, to receive all our vegetable supplies here in Boston from a little area immediately surrounding the city. Those who have observed what is being done in the suburbs of London and Paris can easily conclude what might be done here if we went about it in the right way and made the soil do all that it is capable of doing and ought to do.

We have a large class of idle men and just as large an area of idle ground, and it will be to the advantage of human happiness and to the reduction of the price of agricultural products when the lazy men and the unworked ground get together, only the lazy men must, not only learn to work the soil, but learn to work for all that it is worth. This enterprise in Texas is being conducted under the auspices of the Texas Industrial Congress, at the head of which stands the Colonel whose name has just been mentioned. He is a kind of human dynamo, a combination of heat and sagacity seasoned with a large infusion of good nature that makes him great all over Texas.

Another year of successful operation has just been completed. A year ago prizes amounting to \$10,000 were promised to the producer of the best quality of corn and cotton and to the producer of the largest amount on a

given acre. This sum is prize money seems large, but as a Texas newspaper puts it: "The intrinsic value of the yellow metal given to the successful contestants was an approaching insignificance in comparison with the monumental accomplishments and potentialities of the general movement which the prizes represented."

Four Thousand Persons Engaged in a Huge Contest

Four thousand people, men, boys and girls, engaged in the contest. For these four thousand the average yield of corn per acre was fifty-one bushels, as against the average yield during a ten-year period, which had been twenty bushels, or a total of 104,000 bushels more than would have been added to the wealth of the State had not this prize competition been instituted, or in dollars, reckoning a bushel at fifty cents, an addition of \$52,000 to the State's wealth.

Dealing in the same way with the matter of competitive cotton, there was added an excess production in that commodity totaling \$175,000, a grand total then of \$279,000 as the result of an investment of \$10,000 in prizes. On the occasion of the presentation of the prizes a telegram was received from President Taft and a letter from Secretary Wilson of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Now the wise and efficient activity of Colonel Exall entitles him to the name not only of agricultural economist, but to that of statesman. It is giving prudent and sagacious direction to the energies of his State, stimulating its revenues, and developing the possibilities of its citizens old and young.

Colonel Is Dignifying Agriculture as a Profession

He is dignifying agriculture as a profession and preventing a lot of young fellows who can be geniuses in the raising of corn and cotton from misapprehending their intelligence in becoming poor lawyers, dangerous doctors and delusive clergymen.

It is to be hoped that now that the enterprise is well upon its feet in Texas the Colonel will not limit his missionary efforts to his own State but extend his propaganda beyond the frontier of Texas and contribute in that way to the development of a national agricultural enthusiasm, which shall mean, not only a strong for the upward reaching of our ambitions by keeping us near enough to the ground to secure to those ambitions the necessary physical basis.

LETTERS FROM AMERICAN READERS

CONGRATULATES THE AMERICAN Editor Boston American: Dear Sir: Yesterday about everyone in Newport was looking for a good account of the fire which took place here early this morning, but in no Sunday paper could they find it to any length except in the Boston AMERICAN.

While the fire was still raging, people said: "It'll be the Boston American that will get this in." I wish to congratulate you upon your wonderful efforts.

Very respectfully, C. S. RICH. Newport, R. I., Dec. 29, 1912. DR. GRANT ET AL. Editor Boston AMERICAN: Dear Sir—What man needs more than they need might best be summed up in